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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

Applicants note that an Interview Summary accompanied the Notice of Allowance and confirm that the undersigned attorney conducted a telephone interview with the Examiner, Phillip Johnston, on January 15, 2004, during which time amendments to the claims as effected by the Examiner's Amendment accompanying the Notice of Allowance and Interview Summary, were discussed and authorized in order to place the application in condition for allowance. Thus, applicants confirm the substance of the interview as provided by the Interview Summary and although applicants consider the submission of this paper to be unnecessary, to avoid any question concerning the requirements for applicant to file a statement of the substance of the interview, this statement is submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

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